## National Security Executive Leadership Seminar/NSELS (PT330)

NSELS is the Department of State's flagship interagency course. The goal of the NSELS program is to help create a more collaborative and effective cadre of national security professionals, who will collectively advance the national interest of the United States.

## Course Objectives

At the end of the seminar, participants will be able to:

- More effectively contribute to the national security policy formulation process;
- Analyze national security challenges and opportunities from a long-term perspective;
- Leverage networks and more effectively collaborate across agency lines; and
- More effectively lead interagency teams.

## Course Overview

Module 1	Module 2	Module 3	Module 4	Module 5
The National Security Framework	Perspectives on National Security	Over the Horizon Challenges and Opportunities	Collaboration in the Interagency	Leadership in an Interagency Environment
"Big picture" national security interests, including those outlined in the National Security Strategy, contrasted with agency interests.  Role of the National Security Council.	Perspectives of various players inside and outside the national security system and their effect on the agenda, priorities, and innerworkings of the interagency.  Impact of national debt and budgetary issues on policy priorities.	Strategic planning exercise; analysis of national security challenges and opportunities from a long-term perspective.  National security issues which have growing, long-term importance.	One-day field trip and other case studies to identify challenges and opportunities for interagency collaboration.	Senior-level speakers from across the USG on aspects of leadership in the interagency, including moral leadership, change leadership, and crisis leadership.

Note: This course overview is based on 2017-18 courses and is subject to change.

- Audience: rising leaders at the GS-15, O-6 level, nominated by their agencies and bureaus and chosen through a competitive selection process.
- Each class will be comprised of half State Department employees, half employees of other agencies involved in national security issues.
- Nominations must be submitted through established agency and bureau POCs. The competitive nomination and selection process is conducted each summer for all courses taking place the following academic year. The final selection of candidates is at the discretion of the Foreign Service Institute (FSI).
- Please submit nominations by **September 4, 2018**, in Word format to <u>HQS-SMB-CG-128TrainingCourses</u> <<u>HQS-SMB-CG-12CTrainingCourses@uscg.mil</u>>.

## 2018/2019 Dates

This seminar will be offered three times in 2018/2019. Each cohort meets for two days each month over a five-month period for a total of ten days.

- Session 1: Oct 10-11, 2018; Nov 14-15, 2018; Dec 12-13, 2018; Jan 9-10, 2019; Feb 6-7, 2019
- Session 2: Jan 23-24, 2019; Feb 20-21, 2019; Mar 20-21, 2019; Apr 17-18, 2019; May 15-16, 2019
- Session 3: Mar 6-7, 2019; Apr 3-4, 2019; May 1-2, 2019; May 29-30, 2019; June 26-27, 2019